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Federal Opportunities

Martin Luther King, Jr. Services Day Initiative.
The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) announces funds to mobilize more Americans to observe MLK federal holiday as a day of service in communities and to bring people together around the common focus of service to others. The deadline for applications is October 2, 2003. Approximately $500,000 is available to fund awards ranging from $2,500-$7,500. For further information, contact CNCS, 1201 New York Ave., NW, Room 8416-D, Washington, DC, (202) 606-5000 x 278; or go to:
http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-22660.htm.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at
http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm for the following notices:

Department of Human Services (DHS)/Office of Early Childhood Development (OECD), FY 2003 Latchkey, CPR and First Aid Grant, due September 12, 2003, at 5pm.

The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, due September 26, 2003.

The Historic Preservation Office (HPO), Grant-In-Aid, due October 17, 2003, at 3pm.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), due December 15, 2003, at 5pm.

Foundation Opportunities

Adults With Disabilities. *The Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc. (ELA)* funds programs that support adults with disabilities in the areas of education, advocacy, and the arts. ELA encourages distinctive projects with which the organization is making a difference in the lives of people with disabilities and that are supported by the local community. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, which are led by or support adults with disabilities and have been in existence at least two years. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2003. Grants range from $1,000-$5,000. For further information, go to: http://www.ela.org/.

Community Facilities. *The Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF) and Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)* have a Community Facilities Fund. The Fund offers organizational development and planning feasibility grants to help nonprofits prepare internally for a planned capital project, new business idea, or growth opportunity. Examples include assessments of fundraising capacity, financial management and information technology, board and staff training needs, as well as strategic planning. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations located in DC that have been in business for at least one year

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and are providers of: arts programs, childcare, health services or neighborhood-based community centers. Generally, applicants have been in business for a minimum of three years, employ at least one staff person, and have annual revenues in excess of $250,000. For further information, contact NFF/LISC Community Facilities Fund, 1825 K Street, NW, Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 785-3985-phone; (202) 785-4331-fax; or go to: http://www.liscnet.org/whatwedo/new_initiatives/cff/

Disabled Veterans. *The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust's* goal is building better lives for our nation's disabled veterans and their families. The Trust provides support to a wide range of services including physical and psychological rehabilitation programs, shelters for homeless veterans, and counseling and job training programs. Priority is given to long-term service programs providing direct assistance to disabled veterans and their families. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2003. For more information, contact DAV Charitable Service Trust, 3725 Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, KY 41076, (859) 442-2055-phone; (859) 442-2088-fax; cst@davmail.org; or go to: http://www.dav.org/cst/grant_application.html.

Financial Literacy. *The ING Foundation* is committed to supporting thriving and diverse communities and to enhancing the opportunity for all people to build a more secure financial future. The Foundation's contribution program primarily focuses its community resources in the areas where employees are based and customers live. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. Requests for funding are accepted at any time. For further information, go to: http://www.ing-usa.com/about/connect/index.html.

Gardening. *The Gardener's Supply Donation Program* provides cash or products to organizations focused on gardening, sustainable agriculture, food, environment, and hunger. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There are no application deadlines; requests are reviewed quarterly. For further information, go to: http://www.gardeners.com/gardening/content.asp?copy_id=5152.

Native Aquatic Species. *The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation* fosters cooperative partnerships to conserve fish, wildlife, plants, and the habitats on which they depend. The Bring Back the Natives initiative supports on-the-ground habitat restoration projects that benefit native aquatic species (e.g., native fish, aquatic insects, mollusks, and amphibians) in their historic range. Eligible applicants include federal, state, and local governments, educational institutions, and nonprofit conservation organizations. The deadline for pre-applications is October 15, 2003. Challenge grants typically range from $10,000-$150,000. For further information, contact Suzanne Piluso at suzanne.piluso@nfwf.org ; or go to: http://www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm.

Resources & Announcements

Federal Government Grant Find and Apply Initiatives. *The e-Grants Initiative (also called Grants.gov)* is one of 24 e-Government programs that the Federal Government has mandated as part of the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999. This government-wide initiative calls for the development of a one-stop electronic grant portal where potential grant recipients will receive full service electronic grant administration. Grants.gov's "Find Grant Opportunities" (FIND) feature is now available. This newest addition to the Grants.gov site allows you to search for information on competitive grant opportunities from all 26 federal grant-making agencies from one location. You can also register to be notified automatically of future grant opportunities as they are added to the site. After October 1, 2003, all competitive grant announcements will be posted on Grants.gov. The "Apply for Grants" (APPLY) feature allows grantors to post grant application packages and grant seekers to access and submit applications – all in a single, online location. The APPLY feature will be launched on October 31, 2003. The Grants.gov team has created a range of online customer support tools to help grantors and grant seekers transition from current processes to using Grants.gov. For more information, go to the site - www.Grants.gov - or contact 1-800-518-GRANTS or support@grants.gov.

Fundraising Workshop. *The DC Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board's Charitable*

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Games Division invites you to attend its Annual Gaming Workshop "Putting Fun Into Fundraising." As the licensing agent for all charitable gaming in the city, DC Lottery will show you how to develop financially successful Monte Carlo Night Parties, Raffles and Bingo events. Hands-on training in licensing and application procedures, as well as gaming demonstrations, will be provided. This free event will take place on Thursday, September 25, 2003, from 8:30am-4:00pm, Panorama Room, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1600 Morris Road, SE, Washington, DC. The Anacostia Metro Station is nearby and free parking is available. Seating is limited to no more than 2 reps per organization. To reserve your space, submit an application - available at http://lottery.dc.gov/main.shtm - or call (202) 645-8071 by September 17, 2003.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC Government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but does require an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

New Federal Grant Application Requirement. *The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)* has directed all federal agencies to require all federal grant applicants to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying for federal grants or cooperative agreements. The DUNS number, which will help to improve the statistical reporting of federal grants and cooperative agreements, will be required whether an applicant is submitting a paper or electronic application. DUNS numbers will be required as of October 1, 2003. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or by visiting http://www.dnb.com/us/.

Nonprofit Feedback Needed. *The Touch DC Coalition* formed last year to encourage people in the Washington area to become loyal contributors to regional nonprofits through e-philanthropy at www.TouchDC.org. The Coalition is preparing for a major multi-media public awareness campaign in November and December 2003 to encourage residents to give to local nonprofits. Information gathered from a survey of local nonprofits will be used in the aggregate and will help the Touch DC Coalition build a case for donors and the media that our region's nonprofits need donations and volunteers. Please help by participating in this brief survey by September 30: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=31199262241.

Nonprofit Fraud and Abuse. *The Foundation Center* will present an InfoBreakfast session on Gerard M. Zack's new book, Fraud and Abuse in Nonprofit Organizations: A Guide to Prevention and Detection. The author, founder of the Nonprofit Resource Center and a consultant specializing in fraud protection, will be available to discuss his book. The session will take place Thursday, September 18, from 8:45-10:00 am, at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Washington, DC. There is no fee, but space is limited and advance registration is required. To register, call (202) 331-1400 or go to: http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/infobrkdc.html.

Nonprofit Technology Policies. *The University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee Department of Information & Media Technologies, ENTECH - Empowering Nonprofits in Technology, and the Nonprofit Management Fund* collaborated to prepare a template for nonprofit technology policies. Technology policies serve to outline acceptable uses, practices and guidelines for technology in the workplace. The document is designed to provide Executive Directors, Boards of Directors and managers with suggestions for their nonprofit's information technology policies. These policies can help govern: use of hardware and software; security; virus protection; appropriate use of an organization's technology resources; email communications; and many other aspects of using

technology in a nonprofit. The document can provide a baseline from which to build a comprehensive organizational policy. To access this template, go to: http://epic.cuir.uwm.edu/fatica/Downloads/policies.php.

Outcome Management. *The Urban Institute* offers a guidebook on nonprofit outcome management, Key Steps in Outcome Management. Nonprofit executives and managers need to know whether their programs are providing satisfactory results. Outcome management enables organizations to define and use specific indicators to continually measure how well services or programs are leading to the desired results. With this information, managers can better develop budgets, allocate their resources, and improve their services. A successful outcome management program includes a process to measure outcomes plus the use of that information to help manage and improve services and organizational outcomes. To access this guidebook and other resources, go to: http://www.urban.org/.

Save the Date. *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development, in partnership with the Washington Council of Agencies,* announces its 5th Annual Public-Private Partnership conference to be held on October 21, 2003. This year's theme will be "Partnerships: Creating Opportunities for All." The all day conference will include informational and "how to" sessions on a variety of topics such as area funding trends and strategies, e-grants, volunteer recruitment, board development, evaluation, and more. The cost will be $45. Information on the sessions and registration will be available in next week's issue.

Youth Substance Abuse Treatment Forum. *The Department of Health (DOH)/Addiction Prevention & Recovery Administration (APRA)* will hold the Second Annual Youth Substance Abuse Treatment Forum to provide youth treatment providers, youth program staff, agency staff, policymakers, community members and other stakeholders with information and skills for working with youth substance abusers. The forum will present plenary and workshop sessions on critical issues such as: screening and assessing youth substance abusers; cultural influences abetting alcohol and drug use by youth; adolescent chemical dependency; co-occurring

disorders in adolescents; role of the family in treating youth; and other topics. In addition, presentations on the national youth treatment agenda and an update on DC's youth treatment system continuum will be highlighted. The forum will be held on **Wednesday, September 10, 2003**, from 8:30am–5:00pm, at the Kellogg Center, Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC. Free parking is available in the campus garage, and there is a free Gallaudet Shuttle from Union Station. The forum is free; however, pre-registration is required. Space will be provided first-come, first-served. For information, call Brigitte Tapp at (202) 442-5860.

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